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SUBJECT: SHABA II ATTACK: MORALE AMONG SHABAN EXPATRIATE
COMMUNITY

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FOLLOWING SENT ACTION KINSHASA 22 MAY
REPEATED FOR YOUR ACTION

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1. SUMMARY: FOLLOWING MESSAGE WAS BEING DRAFTED AS REFTEL
ARRIVED. AS HORROR OF WHAT HAPPENED IN KOLWEZI HAS BECOME
APPARENT AND EASE WITH WHICH SIMILAR EVENT MIGHT OCCUR IN
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OTHER SHABA TOWNS HAS BEEN IMAGINED, EXPATRIATE
COMMUNITY THROUGHOUT SHABA IS SHOWING INCREASING CONCERN
FOR ITS FUTURE WELFARE. SOME ARE SEEKING IMMEDIATE
EXPATRIATION. OTHER SAY THEY WILL NOT REMAIN IN SHABA
UNLESS THEIR IS CONTINUING FOREIGN MILITARY PRESENCE.
FEELINGS ARE STRONGER IN MEDIUM-SIZED COMMUNITIES SUCH
AS KAMINA, KALEMIE, KAMBOVE, KIPUSHI, LIKASI AND FUNGARUME

THAN IN LUBUMBASHI, BUT UNEASINESS IS EVIDENT
EVERYWHERE. END SUMMARY

2. IN ADDITION TO FEAR RESULTING FROM REPORTS FROM
KOLWEZI RESENTMENT IS BEING EXPRESSED OVER CONTROL OF
MOVEMENT BETWEEN TOWNS ORDER FORBIDDING THE DEPARTURE
OF EXPATRIATES EVEN ON ROUTINE HOLIDAY , AND NIGHTLY
CURFEWS. MILITARY UNITS CONTROLLING MOVEMENT HAVE
GENERALLY BEEN POLITE BUT FIRM WITH EXPATRIATES. FEW
EXPATRIATES BELIEVE THAT FAZ CAN OFFER ANY PROTECTION
BECAUSE OF ITS INTERNAL PROBLEMS AND LOCAL UNPOPULARITY.
EXPATRIATES EXPLAIN THAT ZAIRIAN FORCES WOULD FLEE AT
THE FIRST SIGN OF TROUBLE, LEAVING THEM THE VICTIMS
NOT ONLY OF THE FLNC BUT ALSO OF THE LOCAL POPULATIONS
HOSTILITY AGAINST THE MOBUTU GOVERNMENT.

3. MANY OF THE EXPATRIATES IN KAMINA HAVE SENT THEIR
DEPENDENTS OUT OF THE KOLWEZI EVACUATION FLIGHTS. BELIGIAN
TEXTILE COMPANY IN KALEMIE HAS REPORTEDLY SENT ALL OF ITS
DEPENDENTS HOMES. GCM HAS RECEIVED A PETITION FROM
EXPATRIATES TO TRAVEL, INCLUDING DEPARTING ZAIRE IF THEY
CHOOSE, AND A GUARANTEE OF SECURITY BASED UPON WESTERN
MILITARY PRESENCE. FIFTY FRENCH IN KIPUSHI HAVE ALREADY
PETITIONED THE FRENCH CONSUL GENERAL FOR
IMMEDIATE EXPATRIATION. OTHER RUMBLINGS ARE EXPECTED.

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4. BELGIAN CONSUL GENERAL AFTER SEEING HIS AMBASSDOR
ON MAY 21 EXPRESSED FEELING THAT BELGIAN FORCES WOULD BE
REMAINING FOR A FEW EXTRA DAYS. CONSULATE BELIEVES THAT
THEIR PRESENCE PROVIDES SOME ASSURANCE, BUT PROBLEM OF
MOREALE IS SERIOUS AND LONG TERM. PRINCIPAL TOPIC
OF CONVERSATION AT MEETING ON MAY 22 WITH GCM AND
SNCZ OFFICIALS AND FRENCH AND BELGIAN CONSULS WAS
CONCERN FOR FUTURE SECURITY. ALL EXPRESSED VIEW
THAT THERE WOULD BE A MASSIVE DEPARTURE OF THEIR PEOPLE
UNLESS THERE WAS CONTINUING FOREIGN MILITARY
PRESENCE IN SHABA FOR NEXT SEVERAL YEARS.
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